

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show
Best of Show



Best of Show – Anxiety, Patience, Jubilation by Judy Blum
Ribbon sponsored by UTHHealth Rio Grande Valley

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Chief Fun Officer

CHIEF FUN OFFICER CHOICE: This is an honorary category given to honor the memory of Debi Warner. Debi was a past show chair.



CFO - Flying Pigs by Rachel Skye

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Winners - Opportunity Quilt, Wall Hanging, Bag



Opportunity Quilt
Jessica Villa Gomez



Jessica's Mom



Wall Hanging
Jean Nikila



Bag
Kathy Stevens

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show

Winners – Small Wall Hangings

SMALL WALL HANGINGS: This category includes ANY small entry that is pieced, embroidered, appliqued, whole cloth, hand and/or machine quilted specifically made to be hung on a wall.



First – Blowing in the Wind by Jan Baethke



Second – Fantasy Owl by Terry Davis



Third – Quilts of the Month by Sue Arnold



Honorable Mention – Hi! What Cha Doing?

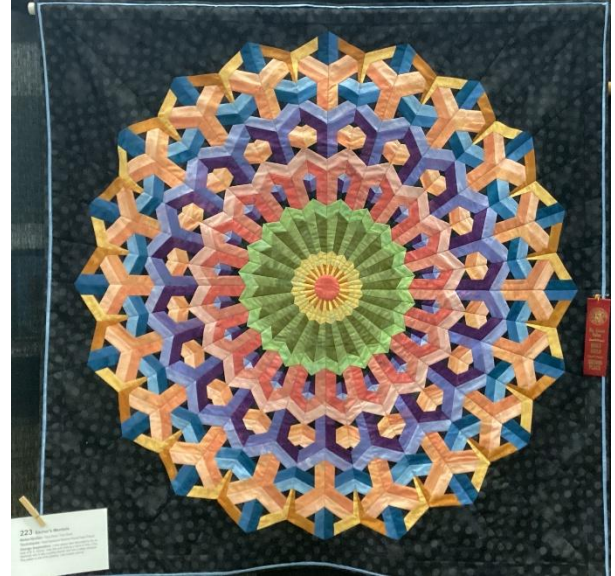
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Winners – Large Wall Hangings

LARGE WALL HANGINGS: This category includes ANY large entry that is pieced, embroidered, appliqued, whole cloth, hand and/or machine quilted specifically made to be hung on a wall.



First – Underwater Life by Terry Davis



Second – Escher's Mandala by Terry Davis



Third – Vortex by Joyce Osborn



Third – Balance and Harmony by Jani Shoemaker



Honorable Mention – Wild Animals by Marty Morrison



Honorable Mention – Texas Chenille by Jani Shoemaker



Honorable Mention – Texas by Sylvia Pahl

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Winners – Art Quilts

ART QUILTS: These must be an original design by the quilt maker. These may utilize multiple techniques, include embellishments, thread painting, beading, painting on fabric, photography on fabric, etc.



First – Daydream's Sunflower by Fran Wessel



First – Patience Brings Progress by Mabsy Fair



Second – Remember by Debbie Williams



Third – Coming in for a Landing – Feeding Time by Fran Wessel



Honorable Mention – Irises by Fran Wessel

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show

Winners – Modern Quilts

MEDIUM BED QUILTS: The perimeter is greater than 250 inches and less than or equal to 325 inches.



First – Wet Paint by Terry Davis



Second – Colors of Winter by Betty Chouinard



Third – Converted Texan by Jani Shoemaker



Honorable Mention – Veteran Quilt by Adela Saldana



Honorable Mention – Round About Cedar Lane by Betty Chouinard



Honorable Mention – Tiger Eyes by Darlene Talbott

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Small Bed Quilts

SMALL BED QUILTS: The perimeter is less than 250 inches.



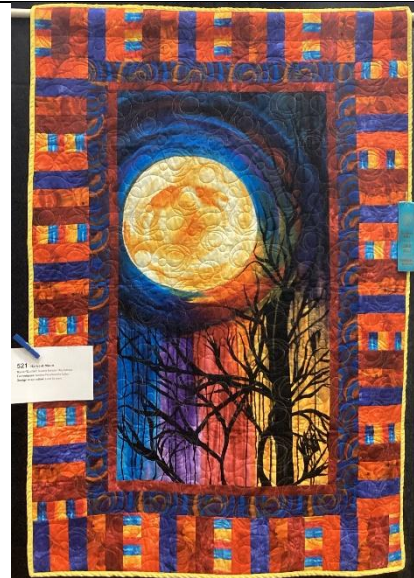
First – Texas Sunset in the Hill Country
By Terry Davis



Second – Butterflies by Debbie Williams



Third – Soft Paisley by Renita Calufetti



Honorable Mention – Harvest Moon
By Suzanne Brennan

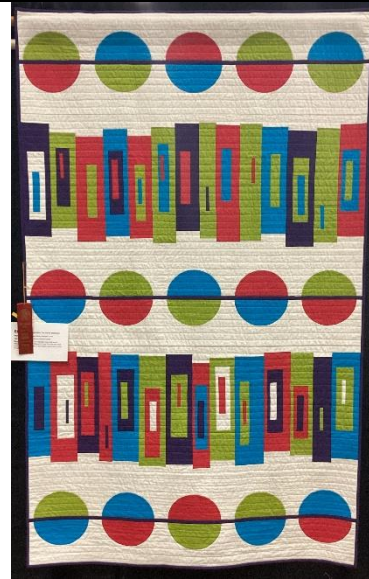
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Winners – Medium Bed Quilts

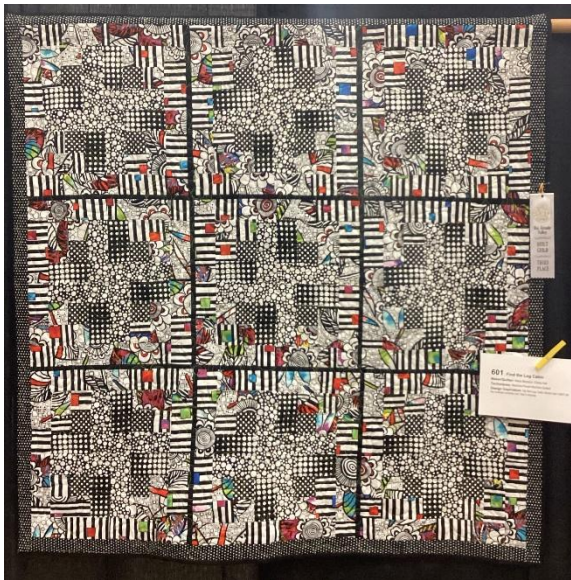
MODERN QUILTS: These quilts generally have the following characteristics: Simplified, abstract design; Use of solid fabrics, bold colors, large prints; Negative space is very important in the overall composition; Improvisational piecing may be employed.; Upcycled/recycled fabrics are often used; Quilting is restrained, often linear.



First – Moon Dance by Wendy Knutson



Second – Mystery Quilt With The Silver Stitches! By Kay Dombi



Third – Find the Log Cabin by Marty Morrison



Honorable Mention
Black & White & Red All Over by Renee Darkis

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Winners – Large Bed Quilts

LARGE BED QUILTS: The perimeter is greater than 325 inches and less than or equal to 480 inches.



First – Moon Glow by Terry Davis



Second – Friendship Scraps by Nancy Plantz



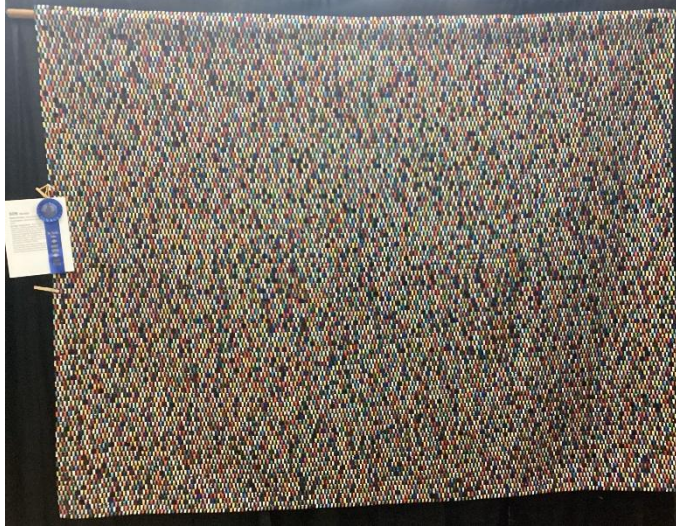
Third – Daisy Flowers by Erica Barron



Honorable Mention
30's Fabric Exchange by Kay Dombi

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Hand Work Quilts

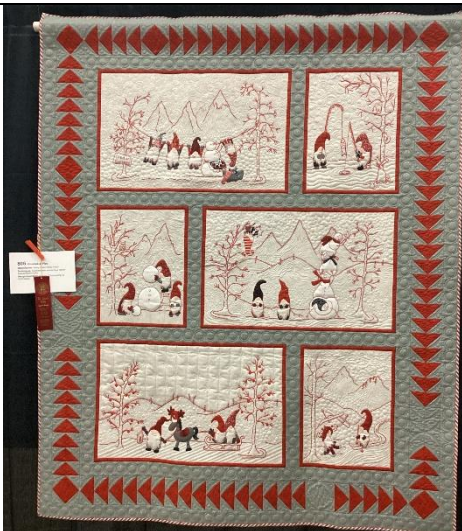
HAND WORK: HAND quilted, embroidered, applique, etc. Over 50% must be hand work.



First – WCNSF



First – WCNSF Detail



Second – Gnomes at Play by Wendy Knutson



Third – Butterfly Hankie Quilt by Teri Thurston



Honorable Mention
Mis Molas, Big Sister by Sylvia Pahl

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Winners – Machine Work Quilts

MACHINE WORK: Artistry of machine quilting, machine embroidery, or machine applique. Over 50% must be machine work.



First – Snow Country Express by Vera McEvoy



Second – Animal Adventure by Becky Forschler



Third – Meadow Seeker by Florea Flores



Honorable Mentions
Fiesta by Kris Driscoll

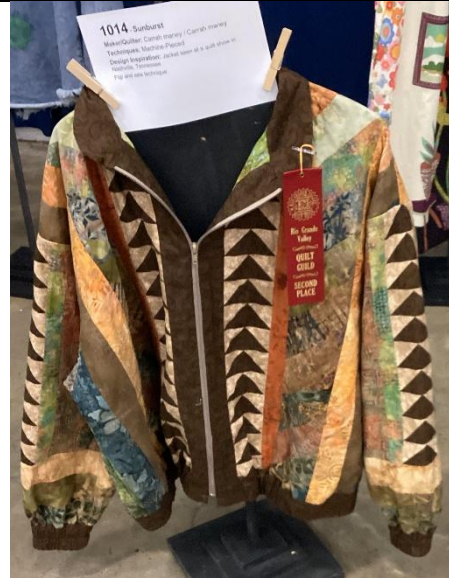
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Winners – Wearable

WEARABLE: Clothing, jackets, christening gowns, skirts, vests, and accessories such as purses, bags, totes, shoes, slippers and hats.



First – Flannel Jacket by Marty Morrison



Second – Sunburst by Carrah Maney



Third – Hot Pink & Sparkly by Nancy Tatro



Honorable Mention
Frida Pullover by Anita Pineda

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Home Decor

HOME DECOR: Placemats, table runners, potholders, dolls, fabric bowls, and children's toys such as play mats and bumper pads.



First – Bali Bedrunner by Marge Lawrence



Second – Fancy Hands Oven Mitts
by Erica Barron



Third – Gnomes by Dianne Parry



Honorable Mention
Cards by Thelma Woods & her Machine
by Thelma Woods

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Winners – Home Decor

NOVICE: The first time an entrant has had a quilt in ANY show. Any quilting form is acceptable but must have 3 layers and be quilted, not tied.



First – Mandala by Daisy Parrao



Second – Cozy Hedgehogs by Kathy Kratz



Third – Darin's Elk



Honorable Mention
Ojitos by Carmin Avila

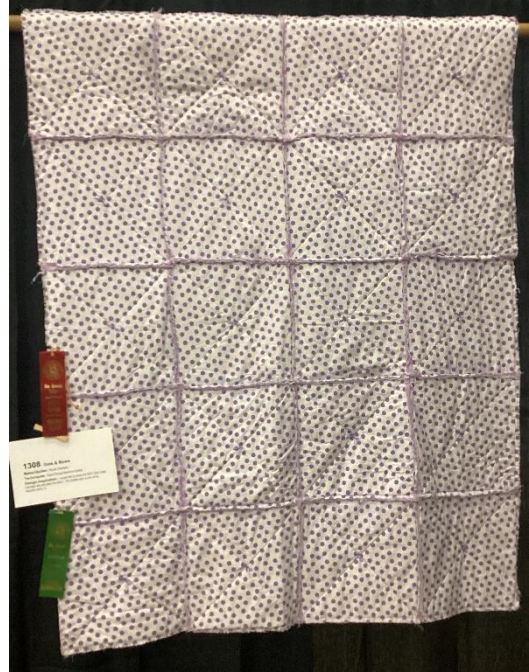
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Winners – Youth

YOUTH: A youth quilter must be 18 years of age or younger and hadn't yet graduated from high school when the item was made. Their entry may match any of the above categories. A youth quilter may make a Challenge or Chair's Choice quilt, but it must be entered in that category.



First – Amor by Carolina Salas



Second – Dots & Bows by Nicole Granado



Third – Leaf Quilt by Chole Bautista



Honorable Mention
My Floral Quilt by Astrid Ortiz

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YOUTH: continued



Black & White Zebras by William Worshaw



Foodie by Tilly Vanderpool



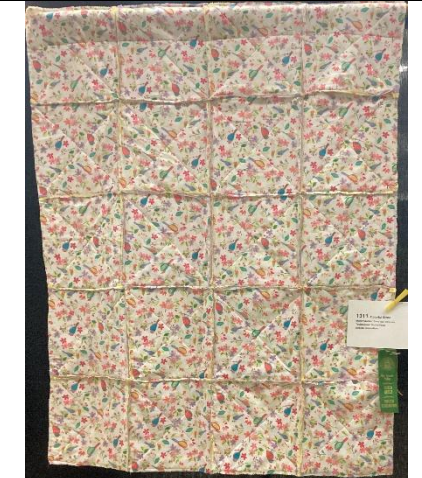
My Leaf Quilt by Ale Hinojosa



My Colorful Quilt by Haley de la Rosa



Black & White by Demarco Cantu



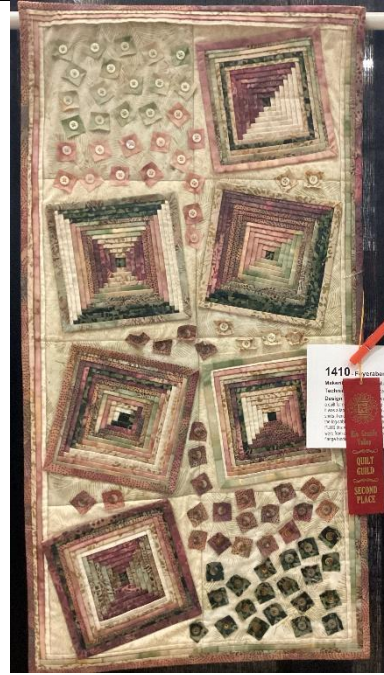
Colorful Birds by Emma Vela

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Upcycle/Recycle

RECYCLED/UPCYCLED: Fabrics that started as something else like clothing, sheets, curtains, thrift store finds.



First – Crazy Quilt by Carmen Avila



Second – Feyerabend Hall II by Bonnie Hall



Napkins and More by Renee Darkis



Honorable Mention
Promises, Promises by Brenda Thompson

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show

Winners – Group

GROUP QUILTS: Quilts of any size that were made as a group challenge, everyone in the Bee made the same pattern, BOM, or one quilt made by more than one person.



First – Hot Summer Retreat by
Llano Grande Quilt Bee



Second – Sew in Love by
Tropic Star Sew In Love (Marge Lawrence)



Third – Diamond Royal by
Tropic Star Sew In Love (Becky Kollars)



Third – The Lone Star State by
Queen City Bee - Texas (Josie McVey)



HM – Starry Night over La Lomita Mission by
Starry Night (Annie Miers)



HM – Texas State Quilt by
Queen City Bee – Texas (Estela Zavala)

2025 Rio Grande Valley Quilt Show Winners – Challenge

CHALLENGE: “Texas Diversity” [See 2025 Challenge Quilt Rules](#)



First – Texas 2-Step by Thelma Woods



Second – Texas Diversity by Bonnie Hall



Third – Roll Roll Armadillos by Renee Darkis



Honorable Mention
The Place to Bee by Jani Shoemaker

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Winners – Chair’s Choice

2022 CHAIR’S CHOICE: “Mexican Culture” – [See 2025 Chairs Choice Quilt Rules](#)



First – Mariachi Quilt by Anita Pineda



Second – Amish Meets Texas by Bonnie Hall



Third – Fiesta at the Ranch by Judy Blum



Honorable Mention
Mexican Tiles by
Mike Hall



Honorable Mention
Fiesta Time by
Darlene Meadows